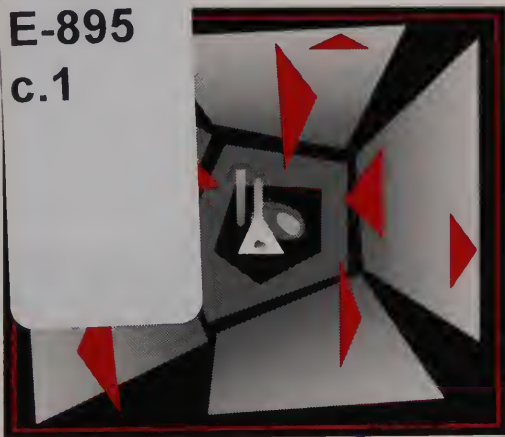


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## PREFACE

In this Guide, the National Library of Medicine, for the first time, draws together in a single, easy-to-use source, a variety of data about the many HIV/AIDS information-related activities of the NIH along with selected PHS offerings. It is hoped that the Guide will be a useful tool for health professionals, care givers, the affected community, and others to learn about AIDS information resources supported by public funds and available to them.

The Guide was first prepared for the NIH HIV/AIDS Information Services Conference, co-sponsored by the National Library of Medicine and the NIH Office of AIDS Research, in June 1993. Those attending the conference, most from outside the Federal Government, were enthusiastic about the Guide and recommended that the Library keep it current and make it widely available.

This edition has been prepared for wide distribution. We plan to keep it up-to-date and republish as necessary. Additional copies may be requested by using the form on the last page.



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# Guide to NIH HIV/AIDS Information Services

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) supports research to provide insight into the nature of HIV infection, the genetic and biological properties of the virus, immunopathogenesis, the natural history of HIV, consequences of HIV infection on the body, risk factors, and various modes of transmission. NIH supports a major effort to develop vaccines and to develop and test new agents for the treatment of AIDS and HIV infection, including opportunistic infections and HIV-associated malignancies.

NIH sponsors many information services to assist professionals, patients, and the public in the quest for knowledge about HIV/AIDS. This brochure describes many of those services, some of which are components of other HIV/AIDS-related projects, as well as selected information services sponsored by other agencies of the Public Health Service.

The grid below is used to identify the categories of HIV/AIDS information services of each institute, office, or center.

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information

The symbols below are used to identify the type or format of each HIV/AIDS information service provided.



Telephone Service



Publication



Online Database or  
Electronic Bulletin  
Board



Exhibit, Educational  
Campaign, or Training  
Program/Materials

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## Office of AIDS Research (OAR)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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**AIDS Program Advisory Committee:** OAR distributes bound proceedings of the AIDS Program Advisory Committee (APAC) meetings to health professionals, media, constituency groups, and the public upon request.



**AIDS Research Accomplishments:** OAR publishes an annual report highlighting NIH HIV-related research advances of the previous year, written in relatively nontechnical language.

For more information about resources and services provided by OAR, contact NIH, Office of AIDS Research, Building 31, Room 5C-06, Bethesda, MD 20892; (301) 496-0358.

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## National Library of Medicine (NLM)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
✓	✓	✓			✓	✓



**AIDSLINE®:** This database contains over 90,000 bibliographic references to published literature about HIV/AIDS and related issues including prevention and treatment. The database includes citations to journal articles, books, and audiovisual materials. AIDSLINE also contains the abstracts of the International Conferences on AIDS.



**AIDSTRIALS:** This database contains information about HIV-related clinical trials, both open (currently accruing patients) and closed. Information about NIH-sponsored clinical trials is provided by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases



(NIAID); information about privately sponsored efficacy trials is provided by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).



**AIDSDRUGS:** This database contains information about the agents being tested in trials included in AIDSTRIALS.



**DIRLINE:** This database is an online directory of information resources covering all areas of biomedicine. Included are over 2,000 HIV/AIDS-specific resources such as organizations, self-help groups, and information systems.

NLM's online databases are available to health professionals, libraries, and others. Users can access these databases using *Grateful Med*<sup>®</sup>, a user-friendly software package available from the National Technical Information Service at 1-(800) 423-9255. For more information about NLM's databases, including AIDSLINE, and about obtaining access to them, call 1-(800) 638-8480. For more information specifically on the AIDSTRIALS and AIDSDRUGS databases, call (301) 496-3147. Information from these two databases is also available through the toll-free AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service, cosponsored by NLM, at 1-(800) TRIALS-A (see page 4).



***Clinical Alerts:*** *Clinical Alerts* are used by NIH in urgent cases in which timely and broad dissemination of results of clinical trials could prevent morbidity and mortality. These clinical trials results are released pending the formal release of the findings through conventional journal publication. Once the decision to issue a *Clinical Alert* is made by the director of the relevant NIH institute, both traditional and electronic communication channels are used to disseminate the *Clinical Alert* to health professionals, the media, and the public. These channels currently include press releases and press conferences, online through NLM's MEDLARS<sup>®</sup> computer system, telefacsimile, and mailings.



***AIDS Bibliography:*** NLM publishes the monthly *AIDS Bibliography*, which includes all citations from the AIDSLINE database. The *AIDS Bibliography* is available by yearly subscription from the Superintendent of Documents at (202) 783-3238. For more information on the *AIDS Bibliography* (and general reference questions on AIDS resources), call (301) 496-6095 or 1-(800) 272-4787.

The monthly *AIDS Bibliography*, open trials from the AIDSTRIALS database, the entire AIDSDRUGS database, and AIDS-related *Clinical Alerts* are available via FTP from the NLM Publications Server. (FTP to [nlmpubs.nlm.nih.gov](ftp://nlmpubs.nlm.nih.gov) and login: `asnlmpubs.`)

## National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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**AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS):** ACTIS, a toll-free telephone service, is a Public Health Service collaborative project provided by NIAID, NLM, the Food and Drug Administration, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. It provides free, up-to-date information on clinical trials that evaluate experimental drugs and other therapies for adults and children with HIV infection and AIDS. Bilingual reference specialists are available to speak with Spanish-speaking callers. To speak with an ACTIS Reference Specialist, call 1-(800) TRIALS-A (874-2572); TDD: 1-(800) 243-7012.



**NIH clinical trials information phone line:** NIAID's Division of Intramural Research/Clinical Center operates a free telephone service for individuals seeking information about participating in clinical trials at NIH. Call 1-(800) AIDS-NIH.



**NIAID research and treatment updates:** NIAID's Office of Communications distributes pamphlets, factsheets, press releases, a newsletter, and other print and audiovisual materials about HIV/AIDS clinical trials. NIAID disseminates research results relevant to clinical practice through press releases, *Notes to Physicians*, and *Clinical Alerts*.





**NIAID reports:** NIAID's Office of Communications disseminates materials resulting from NIAID-sponsored meetings. The Office of Communications also produces materials describing NIAID's current research initiatives, such as information about HIV vaccine development, preclinical drug development, pathogenesis research, and epidemiologic studies.



**NIAID pamphlets and factsheets:** NIAID's Office of Communications has developed a number of materials addressing HIV-related clinical trials and treatment issues for clinicians to use with their HIV-infected patients.

For more information, or to receive a free list of available materials, write to the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Office of Communications, Building 31, Room 7A-50, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892. Many of these materials are also available by calling the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service at 1-(800) TRIALS-A (see page 4).

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## National Institute on Aging (NIA)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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***AIDS and the Older Adult:*** NIA produces this document, one in a series of "Age Pages," that provides general information to the public on AIDS in the older population and lists resources to contact for more information. For a copy, call 1-(800) 222-2225, or write the National Institute on Aging, Building 31, Room 5C-27, Bethesda, MD 20892.

## National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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***Alcohol and AIDS:*** This issue of NIAAA's quarterly bulletin "Alcohol Alerts" provides information to health professionals about the relationship between alcohol consumption and HIV infection and AIDS. It focuses on the relationship of alcohol consumption to unsafe sexual behavior and on the treatment implications of alcohol's effect on the immune system. Copies are available free from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 16C-14, Rockville, MD 20857; (301) 443-3860.



***Alcohol, Health & Research World:*** Two issues of this peer-reviewed journal featured information about the relationship between alcohol consumption and HIV infection and AIDS: "Alcohol, Infectious Diseases, and Immunity" (\$19.50, PB93160604) and "Prevention of Alcohol Related Problems" (\$19.50, PB94113503). These issues are available for a fee from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS). Call NTIS at (703) 487-4650 for more information.

## National Cancer Institute (NCI)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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**Cancer Information Service:** NCI provides a toll-free telephone service for access to information specialists who can provide information about therapies for AIDS-related malignancies and answer questions from physicians, other health care providers, service providers, and the public. Call 1-(800) 4-CANCER (422-6237).



**Physician Data Query (PDQ):** In cooperation with the National Library of Medicine (NLM), NCI provides an online system for professionals and nonprofessionals containing state-of-the-art treatment information about AIDS-related malignancies and other cancers. A bibliographic database, CANCERLIT, is also available. For more information, call 1-(800) 4-CANCER (422-6237) or NLM (see page 2) at 1-(800) 638-8480.

**CancerFAX:** Health professionals with access to a computer with a fax modem can receive summaries directly from the PDQ database (see above). Summaries are available in both English and Spanish. The fax number is (301) 402-5874.

## National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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***Final Report: Secretary's Work Group on Pediatric HIV Infection and Disease:*** NICHD produced this report containing the findings and recommendations of a workgroup convened to delineate the problems faced in confronting pediatric HIV infection and to suggest strategies for their solution. Other publications are being developed with information on maternal and pediatric AIDS.



***The New Face of AIDS. A Maternal and Pediatric Epidemic:*** NICHD wrote and produced this brochure, which includes general information on maternal and pediatric AIDS. Among the areas discussed are routes of transmission, symptoms, prevention, and treatment.



***AIDS Research at the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development:*** This document lists all current HIV/AIDS-related research projects supported by NICHD. It includes project descriptions, principal investigators, and Institute funding information.

To obtain a copy of any of these NICHD documents, write to the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, Office of Research Reporting, Building 31, Room 2A-32, Bethesda, MD 20892.

## National Institute for Dental Research (NIDR)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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***A Guide for Epidemiologic Studies of Oral Manifestations of HIV Infections:*** NIDR, in collaboration with the World Health Organization, has produced this document, which provides practical information for the design, implementation, and reporting of epidemiological studies.



**Training manuals:** Two training manuals will be available in the near future: *Building the Capacity for an Oral Health Response to the Global HIV Epidemic—Principles for Developing a Country-Specific Approach*, for all national dental coordinators of HIV/AIDS activities, and *Mobilizing Oral Health Personnel to Respond to the Development of Country-Specific Plans*, for local, regional, and national oral health personnel. The manuals explain steps for preventing HIV transmission in the dental setting.

For more information, write to the National Institute for Dental Research, Building 31, Room 2C-35, Bethesda, MD 20892.



# National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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**NIDA/CSAT Drug Abuse Treatment Information and Referral Hotline:** NIDA's Office of Science Policy Education and Legislation, jointly with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, sponsors a hotline to provide information to the public about the relationship between drug abuse and AIDS, including the risks associated with injection drug use, impaired judgment, and unprotected sex. To contact the hotline, call 1-(800) 662-HELP, or 1-(800) 66-AYUDA (Spanish).



**National Media Campaign on Drug Abuse and AIDS:** NIDA conducts a campaign to make the general public aware that alcohol or other drug abuse could lead to exposure to HIV. Focusing on teenagers, young adults, and women, the campaign includes television and radio public service announcements, advertisements in newspapers and consumer magazines, posters, and pamphlets. Innovative communication channels such as movies are also used.

For more information about NIDA's resources and services, write to the National Institute on Drug Abuse, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 10A-39, Rockville, MD 20857.

## National Eye Institute (NEI)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
	✓	✓				



**Studies of the Ocular Complications of AIDS:** NEI disseminated the results of the Foscarnet-Ganciclovir Retinitis Trial by distributing a *Clinical Alert*, press release, and media kit. Results of other trials will be disseminated as appropriate. General information is available on the ocular complications of AIDS and on clinical trials completed and underway. For more information, contact the National Eye Institute, Scientific Reporting Section, Building 31, Room 6A-32, Bethesda, MD 20892; (301) 496-5248.

## National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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**AIDS Targeted Drug-Design Project:** Every June, NIGMS sponsors a national meeting of groups active in targeted drug design against AIDS. Abstracts are widely disseminated to interested parties. For more information, contact the National Institute of General Medical Sciences, Westwood Building, Room 922, Bethesda, MD 20892; (301) 594-7735.



# National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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**NBREP Public Education:** NHLBI's Office of Prevention, Education, and Control sponsors the National Blood Resource Education Program (NBREP), which educates the public about the blood collection and donor screening process to ensure the safety of the Nation's blood supply, including the prevention of transfusion-related HIV transmission, and to encourage donations by autologous and other eligible donors. NBREP conducts mass media campaigns, including radio and magazine public service announcements, and distributes patient education materials.



**NBREP Professional Education:** NBREP educates physicians to be knowledgeable about the appropriate use of blood and blood products to ensure the safety of the Nation's blood supply. The program distributes the following professional education reports: *Indications for the Use of RBC's, Platelets, and FFP*; *Indications for the Use of Autologous Blood*; and *Transfusion Therapy Guidelines for Nurses*.



NHLBI also issues a yearly report on its AIDS-related research and other achievements. For more information about NHLBI HIV/AIDS-related services, write to the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, Building 31, Room 4A-05, Bethesda, MD 20892; (301) 496-0554.

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## National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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### ***AIDS Research: An NIMH Blueprint for the Second Decade:***

This report provides a brief overview of NIMH's role in AIDS research, including major initiatives in the areas of behavior change and prevention, neurobehavior, and neuroscience. Each section includes a discussion of issues, research opportunities, and questions. To obtain a copy of the report, write to the National Institute of Mental Health, Information Resources and Inquiries Branch, Room 7C-02, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

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## National Center for Research Resources (NCRR)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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### **Annual RCMI International AIDS Symposium: NCRR**

provides this forum for Research Centers and Minority Institutions (RCMI) to stimulate discussion and ideas that will lead to collaborative research on AIDS. Proceedings are produced after each symposium in the series.



**NCRR Office of Science and Health Reports:** NCRR's Office of Science and Health Reports produces several publications describing recent NCRR accomplishments, resources, and services, including: *Program Highlights*, an annual report; *Research Resources Reporter*, a bimonthly periodical; and directories. AIDS research is one of many biomedical research topics covered in these documents.



**AIDS Animal Model Program:** NCRR's Office of Science and Health Reports provides information for the public about the AIDS Animal Model Program and alerts qualified researchers to AIDS animal models. NCRR also supplies table-top exhibits used to promote the spf-rhesus and chimpanzee AIDS animal model programs.



**National Traveling AIDS Exhibit and Education Program:** NCRR coordinates a hands-on exhibit and associated educational materials to improve public understanding of the fundamentals of microbiology underlying the AIDS epidemic. The target audiences are students in grades 6–12 and their families and teachers. Additional small modules on *Understanding AIDS* and a CD-ROM version are being prepared for use by schools, public libraries, and other institutions.

For more information about resources and services provided by NCRR, contact the National Center for Research Resources, Office of Science and Health Reports, Westwood Building, Room 10A–15, 5333 Westbard Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20892.

## Fogarty International Center

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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**AIDS International Training and Research Program:** The Fogarty International Center sponsors training for foreign scientists to increase their capacity to deal with the AIDS epidemic through epidemiological research, clinical trials, and other prevention projects, and to stimulate cooperation and sharing of research knowledge. For more information, write to the Fogarty International Center, National Institutes of Health, Building 31, Room B2–C32, Bethesda, MD 20892.



# elected Public Health Service HIV/AIDS Information Activities

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## Office of National AIDS Policy (ONAP), Executive Office of the President

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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ONAP serves as the staff office responsible for coordinating and integrating all Federal AIDS-related activities, including the development of policy and the setting of priorities.



**OASH BBS:** The OASH BBS is the free and publicly accessible electronic bulletin board of the White House ONAP and the U.S. Public Health Service (PHS), Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH). The White House section of the BBS allows for public input on HIV/AIDS-related issues under consideration. The OASH section distributes many files of AIDS-related information from PHS, including NLM's *AIDS Bibliography*, news releases from NIAID, *Federal Register* announcements, CDC's *AIDS Daily Summary*, and AIDS-related press releases and reports. For more information, contact ONAP, Hubert Humphrey Building, Room 738-G, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20201; (202) 690-6248. To connect online to OASH BBS, dial (202) 690-5423 using a computer and a modem.

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## Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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AHCPR supports activities designed to enhance the quality, appropriateness, and effectiveness of health care services and to improve access to that care through various programs, including its AIDS Medical Care Effectiveness Program. The program emphasizes three activities: clinical guidelines development and dissemination, data development, and outcomes research.



**AHCPR reports:** AHCPR has produced several reports related to HIV/AIDS, including *Pediatric AIDS-Related Discharges in a Sample of U.S. Hospitals: Demographics, Diagnoses, and Resource Use* and *Forecasts of the Costs of Medical Care for Persons With HIV: 1992–1995*. AHCPR is responsible for the development of guidelines for the treatment of HIV-infected individuals. For more information write to the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, Executive Office Center, Suite 501, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Rockville, MD 20852.

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## Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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CDC assesses the status and characteristics of the AIDS epidemic and the prevalence of HIV infection, and supports, via financial and technical assistance, the design, implementation, and evaluation of HIV prevention and education activities. The CDC is a cosponsor of the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (see page 4).



**CDC National AIDS Clearinghouse:** The CDC National AIDS Clearinghouse is a comprehensive HIV/AIDS information service targeted to health professionals, managers of HIV/AIDS programs, educators, and information providers. The Clearinghouse helps professionals access HIV/AIDS-related information through its online databases; obtain key HIV materials, such as the *HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report*, and articles from the *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*; and share the latest HIV information through CDC NAC ONLINE, an electronic bulletin board service for AIDS-related organizations. The Clearinghouse's services are available Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. eastern time, by calling 1-(800) 458-5231; or 1-(800) 243-7012 (TDD).



**CDC National AIDS Hotline:** The CDC National AIDS Hotline is a toll-free HIV/AIDS-related information service that provides confidential information, referrals, and educational materials to the public. The Hotline operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Call 1-(800) 342-AIDS; 1-(800) 344-SIDA (Spanish); or 1-(800) 243-7889 (TDD).



**CDC automated telephone services:** For current statistics on HIV infection and AIDS, call the CDC HIV/AIDS Statistics Information Line at (404) 332-4570. CDC's Voice Information System also provides up-to-date information on a variety of health-related topics, including HIV/AIDS; call (404) 332-4555. To receive free facsimile documents on a variety of HIV/AIDS-related topics, call the CDC Fax Information Service at (404) 332-4565.

## Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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FDA is responsible for assuring the safety and effectiveness of drugs, biologics, vaccines, and medical devices used in the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of HIV infection, AIDS, and AIDS-associated opportunistic infections. FDA also works with the blood banking industry to help ensure



the safety of the Nation's blood supply. The agency is a cosponsor of the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (see page 4). For more information, contact the FDA Office of AIDS Coordination (HF-12), 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 12A-40, Rockville, MD 20857; (301) 443-0104.



**FDA Electronic Bulletin Board:** FDA operates a publicly accessible electronic bulletin board. Included are press releases related to AIDS, such as those announcing new drug approvals. For more information, contact the FDA Press Office, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. To connect online to FDA BBS, dial 1-(800) 222-0185 using a computer and a modem. The bulletin board is also accessible through the Internet: [fdabbs.fda.gov](http://fdabbs.fda.gov).

## Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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HRSA administers education and training programs for health care providers and community service workers who care for AIDS patients. HRSA also administers programs to demonstrate how communities can organize their health care resources to develop an integrated, comprehensive system of care for those with AIDS and HIV infection.



**National HIV Telephone Consulting Service:** HRSA funds the toll-free National HIV Telephone Consulting Service to provide information on drugs, clinical trials, and the latest treatment methods to physicians and other health care professionals who have questions about providing care to people with HIV infection or AIDS. All staff members are health professionals with extensive experience in outpatient and inpatient primary care of people with HIV-related diseases. The service, accessible from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. eastern time, can be reached by calling 1-(800) 933-3413.



**HIV Clinical Conference Call Series:** In collaboration with the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), HRSA offers interactive, toll-free audio teleconferences during which primary health care providers from many disciplines have the opportunity to discuss timely clinical issues with internationally renowned clinical experts. For more information, contact Abe Macher, M.D., Health Services and Resources Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20852; (301) 443-6364.



**AIDS Education and Training Centers:** HRSA supports a network of 17 regional centers that serve as resources for educating health professionals in prevention, diagnosis, and care of HIV-infected patients. The centers train primary care providers to incorporate HIV prevention strategies into their clinical priorities, along with diagnosis, counseling, and care of HIV-infected persons and their families. For more information, contact the AIDS ETC Program, Health Resources and Services Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 4C-03, Rockville, MD 20857; (301) 443-6364.



**National Pediatric HIV Resource Center:** The Bureau of Maternal and Child Health, HRSA, supports the National Pediatric HIV Resource Center, which offers a range of services to professionals caring for children, youth, and families affected by HIV infection. The Resource Center provides consultation, technical assistance, policy analysis, and clinical training. The center is accessible from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. eastern time and can be reached by calling 1-(800) 362-0071, fax: (201) 485-2752, or by writing to the National Pediatric HIV Resource Center, 15 South Ninth Street, Newark, NJ 07107.



**Clinical Issues Subcommittee:** The Clinical Issues Subcommittee of the HRSA AIDS Advisory Committee was set up to facilitate timely dissemination of information about new developments in clinical research, drug development, and policies on HIV disease into language relevant for practicing caregivers, principally those supported by HRSA's HIV/AIDS-related programs. NIAID and the NIH Office of AIDS Research have participated in all its activities. For information, contact Pearl Katz, Ph.D., AIDS Program Office, Health Resources and Services Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857; (301) 443-4588.



## Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

Research	Clinical Trials	Treatment	Patient Education	Professional Training	Prevention	General Information
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Drug abuse treatment is a primary HIV prevention strategy. SAMHSA administers the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Services Block Grant and other grant programs providing States and localities with support for substance abuse and mental illness treatment and prevention programs.



### **National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information:**

SAMHSA's Center for Substance Abuse Prevention sponsors the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information



(NCADI), which provides current print and audiovisual materials about alcohol and other drugs, including materials explaining the risk of HIV transmission from sharing needles during injection drug use and from unsafe behaviors practiced due to the effects of substance abuse. NCADI's resources include scientific findings; databases on prevention programs and materials, field experts, Federal grants, and market research; and information about organizations and groups concerned with alcohol and other drug problems. For more information, call NCADI at 1-(800) 729-6686, or 1-(800) 487-4889 (TDD).



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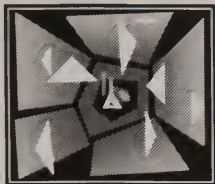
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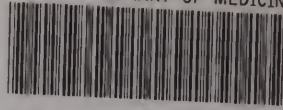
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